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SUBJECT: TRAVELLING PRESS REPORTAGE, MORNING, MONDAY,  
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NEWSPAPERS:

1. WASHPOST (NOSSITER), STOCKHOLM: HAK MAY BE POLITICAL  
POISON FOR SOME SECTORS OF THE AMERICAN ELECTORATE, BUT  
TWO VASTLY DIFFERENT EUROPEAN LEADERS DEMONSTRATED THEIR  
BELIEF THAT HE IS A POLITICAL DRAWING CARD FOR THEM.

... THE VISIT (TO SWEDEN), FIRST BY A HIGH US CABINET  
OFFICIAL TO SWEDEN IN 13 YEARS, IS DESIGNED TO BE A SYMBOLIC  
DEMONSTRATION THAT THE COOL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO  
COUNTRIES CAUSED BY THE VIET-NAM WAR WERE AT AN END.

MEMORIES OF THE BITTERNESS OVER VIET-NAM WERE REKINDLED  
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BEFORE KISSINGER'S ARRIVAL WHEN MORE THAN 10,000 DEMON-  
STRATORS MARCHED PAST THE U.S. EMBASSY CARRYING PLACARDS  
CALLING KISSINGER A 'WAR CRIMINAL' AND 'MURDERER.'

EVEN THE DEMONSTRATION IS EXPECTED TO PLAY INTO PALME'S HANDS, HOWEVER, SINCE IT WAS STAGED BY ULTRA-LEFTISTS WHO ARE REGARDED WITH DISTASTE BY THE CENTRIST VOTERS PALME IS COURTING.

KISSINGER WAS BOUNCING ALL OVER THE MAP TODAY STARTING FROM OSLO, GOING SOUTH TO BONN AND THEN HEADING BACK NORTH TO STOCKHOLM. HE HAD ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED THIS AS A DAY OF REST, BUT YIELDED TO SCHMIDT'S REQUEST (FOR A VISIT TO GERMANY).

IN ADDITION TO THE CHANCELLOR, KISSINGER HELD TALKS WITH THE WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER ... A MAJOR AREA OF DISCUSSION WAS UNCTAD ...

AS THE BIGGEST WESTERN ECONOMIC POWERS, NEITHER WEST GERMANY NOR U.S. IS EAGER TO MAKE LARGE CONCESSIONS, BUT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME DIFFERENCES OF DETAIL BETWEEN THEIR TWO POSITIONS. BY THE END OF THE DAY, HOWEVER, KISSINGER (ANNOUNCED SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT OF POSITIONS ).

... EN ROUTE TO STOCKHOLM, THE HIGH OFFICIAL WHO ALWAYS TRAVELS IN THE KISSINGER PARTY SAID WITH SOME IRRITATION, "WE CAN'T SCHEDULE OUR VISITS LOOKING AT THE DOMESTIC POLITICS OF EACH SITUATION." THE COMMENT SEEMED TO BE A TACIT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THIS IS PRECISELY WHAT IS DONE.

APART FROM ANY DOMESTIC USE THAT PALME CAN MAKE OF THE VISIT, IT DOES MARK A TURNING POINT TO THE SOURED RELATIONS BETWEEN SWEDEN AND THE UNITED STATES.

THEY REACHED A LOW AFTER PALME COMPARED THE 1972 U.S. CHRISTMAS BOMBING OF NORTH VIET-NAM TO NAZI OUTRAGES. WASHINGTON RESPONDED BY RECALLING ITS AMBASSADOR AND NONE RETURNED UNTIL MAY 1974.

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THAT, SAID THE HIGH U.S. OFFICIAL, IS IN THE PAST. TODAY, HE SAID, "THINGS ARE GOING RATHER WELL." HE SAID RELATIONS ARE "GETTING FROM CORRECT TO FRIENDLY, SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN."

THE HIGH OFFICIAL EMPHASIZED THREE TIMES THAT KISSINGER'S VISIT WAS AT THE URGING OF PALME AND THAT THE PREMIER HAD FIRST PROPOSED IT WHEN THEY MET LAST SUMMER AT THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE IN HELSINKI.

THERE ARE NO ISSUES OF SUBSTANCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THE OFFICIAL SAID, AND KISSINGER DID NOT REGARD HIS VISIT AS "AN EVENT OF COSMIC SIGNIFICANCE."

BUT HE HAS COME AND HE WILL SEE PALME MONDAY. THE TRIP ALSO GIVES KISSINGER A RARE CHANCE TO SEE HIS UNCLE ARNO, A BUSINESSMAN HERE. ARNO FLED FROM NAZI GERMANY TO SWEDEN IN 1938 WITH THE SECRETARY'S PATERNAL GRAND-FATHER. AT THE SAME TIME, ARNO'S BROTHER WAS BRINGING YOUNG HENRY TO THE UNITED STATES.

KISSINGER ARRIVED HERE IN EVIDENT GOOD HUMOR. AT THE AIR-PORT, HE DISMISSED THE DEMONSTRATORS WHO DENOUNCED HIM WITH A QUIP: "I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT MY VISIT HAS NOT BEEN GREETED WITH TOTAL INDIFFERENCE BY THE SWEDISH PUBLIC."

2. NYTIMES (CRAIG WHITNEY), STOCKHOLM: THE UNITED STATES IS QUIETLY SOUNDING OUT ISRAEL AND ARAB GOVERNMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST FOR REACTIONS TO FRANCE'S OFFER TO SEND A PEACE-KEEPING FORCE TO LEBANON, ACCORDING TO HIGH RANKING AMERICAN DIPLOMATS.

PRESIDENT GISCARD MADE THE OFFER IN A SPEECH DURING HIS VISIT TO THE U.S. LAST WEEK. AMERICAN OFFICIALS HERE DURING SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER'S VISIT TO SWEDEN SAID THAT FRANCE HAD NOT YET MADE A FORMAL PROPOSAL, BUT THAT THE UNITED STATES WAS ALREADY TRYING TO DETERMINE WHAT THE REACTION TO IT WOULD BE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

THE PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE GOVERNMENTS BEING ASKED ARE UNDERSTOOD TO BE THOSE OF ISRAEL AND SYRIA BUT NOT THE SOVIET UNION.  
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EGYPT AND SAUDI ARABIA MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN APPROACHED, ACCORDING TO ONE OFFICIAL.

HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS HERE SAY THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOT NOW PUSHING THE FRENCH PROPOSAL. THEY DESCRIBED THE SOUNDINGS AS LOW KEY.

AT A NEWS CONFERENCE IN OSLO YESTERDAY, KISSINGER SAID THE UNITED STATES WOULD TAKE A FORMAL POSITION ON THE FRENCH PROPOSAL AFTER "WE KNOW THE VIEWS OF OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST IN GREATER DETAIL, ARAB AND OTHERS." HE SAID THE UNITED STATES WOULD STILL OPPOSE THE INTRODUCTION OF "OTHER OUTSIDE FORCES."

MR. KISSINGER LEFT OSLO THIS MORNING FOR BONN, WHERE HE SAY CHANCELLOR HELMUT SCHMIDT AND FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER FOR A WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

AFTER REPORTING "COMPLETE IDENTITY OF VIEWS" WITH THE WEST GERMAN LEADERS, KISSINGER FLEW 700 MILES BACK TO STOCKHOLM.

3. LOS ANGELES TIMES (SATURDAY) - DON COOK: "NATO WARNS  
RUSS AGAINST WARSAW PACT ARMS BUILDUP."

NATO BLUNTLY WARNED SOVIET UNION FRIDAY THAT CONTINUED ARMS  
BUILD UP WARSAW PACT FORCES BEYOND LEGITIMATE NEEDS FOR  
DEFENSE WAS PUSHING WORLD "TO AN ARMS RACE OF DANGEROUS  
DIMENSION."

WARNING WAS CONTAINED IN A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT END OF TWO  
DAY MEETING.

MINISTERS PLEDGED "DETERMINATION OF THEIR GOVTS TO TAKE MEA-  
SURES NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY OF  
THEIR FORCES AS AN ESSENTIAL SAFEGUARD FOR SECURITY OF  
MEMBER COUNTRIES, WHETHER AGAINST MILITARY AGGRESSION OR  
POLITICAL PRESSURE."

COMMUNIQUE ALSO INDICATED CONTINUED PROGRESS TOWARD PEACE  
DEPENDS ON SOVIET BEHAVIOR THROUGHOUT WORLD, NOT ONLY IN  
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EUROPE.

SECSTATE HAD PARTICULARLY WARM WORDS FOR OSLO DISCUSSIONS,  
WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN "EXTREMELY HARMONIOUS AND AS CLOSE  
TO UNANIMOUS AS I HAVE EVER SEEN." NATO, HE SAID, WAS A  
"GOING CONCERN," AND WEST HAS CAPABILITY TO MAINTAIN  
MILITARY EQUALITY IN FACE OF GROWING SOVIET STRENGTH AND  
THAT OF ITS EAST EUROPEAN ALLIES IN WARSAW PACT.

...IT WILL SOON BE A YEAR SINCE HELSINKI AGREEMENTS WERE  
SIGNED...BUT PAUCITY OF POLITICAL IMPROVEMENTS SINCE THEN--  
PLUS MARKED INCREASE IN WARSAW PACT MILITARY POWER--HAS  
TOUGHENED NATO SPIRITS CONSIDERABLY.

WHILE COMMUNIQUE USED WORD "DETENTE" ONCE IN CONNECTION  
WITH EAST-WEST RELNS, DRAFTERS, REPORTEDLY AT URGING OF  
U.S. TOOK PAINS TO SPELL OUT MORE SPECIFICALLY JUST WHAT  
WEST MEANS BY ITS DETENTE POLICY. TAKING 51 WORDS TO SAY  
WHAT ONE WORD MEANS, COMMUNIQUE STATES:

"MINISTERS REMAIN CONVINCED THAT ALLIED GOVTS INTENT ON  
BUILDING A MORE CONSTRUCTIVE AND STABLE RELATIONSHIP WITH  
EAST, MUST CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR A RELAXATION OF TENSIONS  
AND TO TRY TO DEVISE FURTHER PRACTICAL MEASURES OF COOPERA-  
TION IN AREAS OF COMMON INTEREST, WHILE PRESERVING COHESION  
AND STRENGTH OF ALLIANCE."

MORE TO POINT, COMMUNIQUE SPOKE OF "A DIALOGUE ATTUNED TO  
CURRENT REALITIES."

REALITIES, HOWEVER, ARE NOT PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGING.

COMMUNIQUE DEALT AT LENGTH WITH MORIBUND MBFR NEGOTIATIONS,  
WHICH IN TWO YEARS HAVE GOT NOWHERE....

COMMUNIQUE INSISTED ON WESTERN POSITION THAT VIENNA TALKS  
"MUST RESULT IN ELIMINATING GROUND-FORCE MANPOWER DISPARITY  
IN CENTRAL EUROPE AND IN MITIGATING DISPARITY IN MAIN  
BATTLE TANKS" -- WARSAW PACT NATIONS HOLD AN EDGE IN EACH--  
IF AIM OF STRENGTHENING OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE IS  
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TO BE ACHIEVED.

SO FAR, WARSAW PACT POWERS HAVE REFUSED TO NEGOTIATE EVEN  
ON GENERAL APPROACH ENVISIONED BY NATO POWERS, LET ALONE  
ON ANY DETAILS. BUT NATO MINISTERS DECLARED THAT "PUBLIC  
OPINION IN THEIR COUNTRIES SUPPORTS WESTERN POSITION AS  
LOGICAL AND FAIR" AND THAT NATO SOLIDARITY IN VIENNA  
NEGOTIATION "IS FULLY MAINTAINED."

ON SALT, KISSINGER GAVE ANOTHER "NO PROGRESS" REPORT TO  
MEETING. HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AFTERWARD THAT U.S.  
WOULD BE REPLYING TO LATEST SOVIET POSITION ON ARMS DEAD-  
LOCK "WITHIN A COUPLE OF WEEKS".

4. LOS ANGELES TIMES (SATURDAY, SEPARATE ITEM) - DON COOK:  
"HE, FORD IN FULL ACCORD, KISSINGER SAYS" - SECSTATE SAID  
FRIDAY THERE IS "COMPLETE UNANIMITY" ON FOREIGN POLICY  
BETWEEN HIM AND PRESIDENT FORD AND HE HAS NO FEELING OF  
BEING UNDERCUT.

THERE MAY BE "THIS OR THAT PERSON WHO HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH  
FOREIGN POLICY WHO MAY BE MUMBLING IN CORRIDORS OF WHITE  
HOUSE" ABOUT FORD-KISSINGER DIFFERENCES, HE SAID, BUT HE  
DENIED ANY DIFFERENCES EXIST.

...HE DECLINED TO COMMENT FURTHER ON SOMEWHAT CRYPTIC STATE-  
MENTS HE HAS MADE ABOUT HIS POSSIBLE TENURE IF FORD IS  
ELECTED. AND HE QUIPPED, WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT ABOUT A  
POSSIBLE COMMUNIST ROLE IN A FUTURE ITALIAN GOVT:

"I'M AFRAID I CAN BE AN ISSUE IN ONLY ONE ELECTION AT A  
TIME AND I MUST GIVE PREFERENCE TO MY OWN COUNTRY."

PRESSING UNANIMITY THEME ON HIS RELNS WITH FORD, KISSINGER  
ADDED: "THERE WERE ABSOLUTELY NO DIFFERENCES OVER AFRICA  
BETWEEN WHITE HOUSE AND MYSELF. THERE IS NO INDEPENDENT  
FOREIGN POLICY BEING CONDUCTED. EVERY INITIATIVE THAT IS  
BEING TAKEN IS DISCUSSED IN FULL DETAIL AND ORDERED BY  
PRESIDENT."

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ASKED WHETHER HE FOUND ANY SERIOUS CONCERN HERE AMONG NATO  
FMS OVER PATH OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY, SECRETARY REPLIED:

"I BELIEVE THAT OUR ALLIES UNDERSTAND THAT EVERY FOUR  
YEARS WE ARE SEIZED BY A FEVER THAT LEADS TO VERY EXALTED  
STATEMENTS. BUT THEY WILL ALSO BE REMEMBERING CONSTANCY OF  
AMERICAN POLICY THROUGHOUT- 30 YEARS OF POSTWAR PERIOD."

THERE WERE A HALF DOZEN QUESTIONS ON ITALIAN ELECTION  
SITUATION AND KISSINGER'S WELL-PUBLICIZED OPINIONS ABOUT  
SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR NATO IF COMMUNISTS SHOULD WIND UP  
SHARING GOVERNMENTAL POWER IN ROME. IN PARTICULAR, HE  
WAS QUESTIONED CLOSELY ABOUT WHETHER HE HAD BEEN "INTER-  
RUPTED" BY NATO SYG LUNS IN DISCUSSING MATTER AT CLOSED  
NATO SESSION ON THURSDAY.

"APART FROM TECHNICAL IMPOSSIBILITY OF INTERRUPTING A  
HARVARD PROFESSOR WHEN HE IS IN MID-FLIGHT, THIS IS ONE OF  
THOSE STORIES THAT REFLECT FERTILE IMAGINATION OF SOME  
JOURNALISTS COMPETING FOR PULITZER PRIZE IN FICTION. I WAS  
NOT INTERRUPTED FOR THAT OR ANY OTHER REASON, AND I DID NOT  
RAISE SUBJECT."

AS FOR HIS SEPARATE BREAKFAST TALKS FRIDAY WITH GREEK AND  
TURKISH FMS AND PROSPECT FOR A SOLUTION OF DIFFICULTIES  
BETWEEN THOSE TWO NATO ALLIES, KISSINGER REPLIED:

"TURKEY AND GREECE HAVE MANAGED TO EXIST FOR SEVERAL HUNDRED  
YEARS WITHOUT ANY OVERWHELMING SUCCESS IN SOLVING ALL OF  
THEIR PROBLEMS. AND WHILE NO ONE HAS EVER ACCUSED ME OF  
UNDERESTIMATING MY ABILITIES, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT I  
WILL NECESSARILY INTERRUPT THIS HISTORICAL PATTERN IN TWO  
BREAKFAST MEETINGS."

5. LOS ANGELES TIMES (SUNDAY) - DON COOK: SECSTATE SAID  
SATURDAY THAT HE IS CONFIDENT THAT A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE  
SOLUTION WILL BE REACHED ON NORWAY'S CLAIM THAT FAR NORTH  
ISLAND OF SPITZBERGEN IS WITHIN ITS CONTINENTAL SHELF.

...KISSINGER HELD A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE WITH FRYDENLUND  
AND SAID:

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"IT IS A QUESTION WHICH RAISES MANY ISSUES, AND WE HAVE  
ONLY JUST BEGUN TO STUDY PROBLEM IN DETAIL. THIS IS FIRST  
EXCHANGE WE HAVE HAD AT FOREIGN MINISTER LEVEL.

"WE WANT TO WORK OUT AN ENTIRELY ACCEPTABLE POSITION, AN  
AGREED POSITION WE CAN BOTH SUPPORT. OUR BASIC POSITION IS  
IN SUPPORT OF NORWEGIAN POSITION. WE ARE GOING TO STAY IN

CLOSE TOUCH AND THERE WILL BE FURTHER TALKS IN AUGUST.

NORWAY IS A CLOSE ALLY AND THIS IS NOT A CONTROVERSY."

... (PIECE CONTINUES WITH BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF SVALBARD ISSUE.)

...SO FAR, BRITISH, FRENCH AND WEST GERMANS -- WITH WHOM NORwegians HAVE HAD PRELIMINARY TALKS -- ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT ACCEPTING NORwegian POSITION. NORwegians HAVE NOT YET TALKED TO RUSSIANS WHO ARE PROBABLY GOING TO BE EVEN MORE NEGATIVE. SUPPORT FROM U.S. WOULD BE ESSENTIAL IF PROBLEM IS GOING TO BE RESOLVED ON NORwegian TERMS.

"WHAT NORWAY WANTS IS A CALM DECISION WHICH WILL LOWER TENSIONS IN THIS AREA BY ESTABLISHING BASIC LEGAL POSITION FOR EVERYBODY," NORwegian FM SAID.

WHILE FRYDENLUND DID NOT SAY SO AT PRESS CONFERENCE, NORwegians ARE TRYING TO HEAD OFF SITUATION IN WHICH RUSSIANS MIGHT SUDDENLY TURN UP AND PLANT AN OIL RIG IN AREA, CLAIMING THEY HAD A RIGHT TO BE THERE WITHOUT ASKING ANYBODY. IF ON OTHER HAND NORWAY'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER CONTINENTAL SHELF NORTH TO SPITZBERGEN IS ESTABLISHED, THEN NORWAY WILL BE ABLE TO EXERCISE FULL SOVEREIGN CONTROL OVER THOSE WATERS

TODAY, SECRETARY FLIES FIRST TO BONN FOR A LUNCHEON MTG WITH TALKS WITH WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT AND THEN TO STOCKHOLM FOR A BRIEF OFFICIAL VISIT.

6. LOS ANGELES TIMES (MONDAY) - DON COOK: "KISSINGER IN STOCKHOLM AFTER LEFT STAGES PROTEST": SECSTATE FLEW HERE SUNDAY NIGHT, JUST A FEW HOURS AFTER MORE THAN 10,000 UNCLASSIFIED

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LEFT WING SWEDES DEMONSTRATED AGAINST HIS TWO DAY VISIT.

IN WHAT WAS DESCRIBED AS ONE OF SWEDEN'S DEMONSTRATIONS IN HISTORY, MARCHERS WENT TO U.S. EMBASSY CARRYING BANNERS AND PLACARDS READING "KISSINGER, MURDERER" AND ATTACKING U.S. POLICY TOWARD INDOCHINA, MIDEAST AND CHILE.

RIOT POLICE SURROUNDED EMBASSY AND THERE WERE NO REPORTS OF VIOLENCE.

KISSINGER, WHO CAME HERE AFTER A VISIT TO BONN, REMARKED AT AIRPORT THAT HE WAS AWARE "MU VISIT HAS NOT GONE UNNOTICED."

BUT HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE WAS PLEASED AND HAPPY TO BE IN SWEDEN TO MARK TRADITIONAL FRIENDSHIP IN TWO COUNTRIES AND ITS PEOPLES. SECRETARY HAS A 76 YEAR OLD PATERNAL UNCLE

LIVING IN SWEDEN. UNCLE, ARNO KISSINGER, FLED NAZI GERMANY IN 1936.

U.S.-SWEDEN RELNS HAVE BEEN GRADUALLY IMPROVING SINCE THEIR LOW DURING VIETNAM WAR.

SWEDISH PM PALME ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED A KISSINGER VISIT WHEN HE MET WITH SECRETARY AT HELSINKI SUMMIT MEETING LAST AUGUST. KISSINGER SUGGESTED THAT BOTH SIDES WORK A WHILE LONGER AT BRINGING THINGS OUT FROM EMOTIONAL BITTERNESS OF VIETNAM WAR DAYS. THEN WHEN SCHEDULE FOR HIS TRIP TO OSLO FOR NATO MEETINGS FELL INTO PLACE, SWEDES SENT A FORMAL INVITATION.

PALME'S SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAS TAKEN A SHARP DROP IN PUBLIC OPINION POLLS RECENTLY AND POLITICAL OBSERVERS HERE NOTED THAT RENEWED FRIENDLY TIES WITH WASHINGTON COULD INFLUENCE CONSERVATIVE VOTERS IN THE MID-SEPTEMBER ELECTIONS

KISSINGER, WHO DINED WITH PALME SUNDAY NIGHT, TOLD NEWSMEN HE EXPECTED TO HAVE USEFUL TALKS WITH PM TODAY. SECRETARY WILL ALSO MEET KING CARL XVI GUSTAV AND THEN VISIT HIS UNCLE.

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THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION IN WEST GERMANY CAPITAL DURING KISSINGER'S 7-HOUR STOPOVER THERE. HE AND CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT REVIEWED A VARIETY OF SUBJECTS, INCLUDING AN ASSESSMENT OF EAST-WEST RELNS, A COORDINATION OF POLICIES TOWARD DEVELOPING NATIONS, SITUATION IN BERLIN, POLICY IN AFRICA, AND PROGRESS TOWARD EUROPEAN UNITY.

A BEAMING SCHMIDT, ALSO APPARENTLY MINDFUL OF ELECTIONS THIS FALL, APPEARED ON TV TO ASSERT, WITH KISSINGER'S FULL ENDORSEMENT, THAT THEY HAD HELD "EXTREMELY CORDIAL TALKS" AND THAT IT HAD BEEN A "MOST SATISFACTORY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS."

"WE AGREED THAT NATO IS IN A STRONG POSITION. POLICY OF RELAXATION OF TENSIONS, BASED ON STRENGTH OF ALLIED COUNTRIES, EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND ATLANTIC SOLIDARITY IS FUNDAMENTAL TO OUR POLICY," KISSINGER SAID IN BONN.

WIRES

1. AP - FREED FROM STOCKHOLM: SECSTATE AND PM PALME MET FOR 3 HOURS MONDAY IN AN EFFORT TO RESTORE FRIENDLY RELNS BETWEEN SWEDISH AND AMERICAN GOVTS THAT WENT SOUR OVER INDOCHINA WAR.

SECSTATE'S ARRIVAL FROM WEST GERMANY SUNDAY WAS PRECEDED



BY ONE OF BIGGEST DEMONSTRATIONS IN SWEDISH HISTORY AGAINST  
A FOREIGN VISITOR....

AFTER THEIR MEETING, KISSINGER AND PALME TALKED BRIEFLY WITH  
NEWSMEN AND REPORTEDA GOOD EXCHANGE OF VIEWS."

KISSINGER ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME DIFFERENCES OF OPINION  
EXIST, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING EAST-WEST RELNS. HE ADDED  
THAT "THERE ARE MANY AREAS OF CONVERGENCE ...AND THERE  
ARE MANY AREAS ON WHICH WE SHOULD EXCHANGE VIEWS.

"OUR PERSPECTIVES ARE NOT IDENTICAL IN MANY AREAS,"  
KISSINGER SAID. THIS WAS AN APPARENT REFERENCE TO HIS  
OFTEN-VOICED CONCERN OVER THREAT OF COMMUNISM IN WESTERN  
EUROPE. PALME ALSO ASKED MANY QUESTIONS ABOUT SO-CALLED  
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SONNENFELDT DOCTRINE. ,...

SECRETARY SAID AFRICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN QUESTIONS WERE  
ALSO COVERED.

PALME PRAISED AS "HIGHLY REMARKABLE" KISSINGER'S STATEMENT  
EARLIER THIS MONTH FAVORING BLACK MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTHERN  
AFRICA.

SWEDISH PM STRESSED TO REPORTERS THAT IMPORTANT THING IS  
THAT DESPITE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION, U.S. UNDERSTANDS  
BASIC SWEDISH FOREIGN POLICY OF NEUTRALITY.

KISSINGER AGREED, SAYING "WE ARE CONSCIOUS OF...THE ROLE"  
SWEDISH NEUTRALITY HAS IN THE WORLD.

PALME SAID REASON HE INVITED KISSINGER TO VISIT SWEDEN WAS  
THAT "IT IS IN BEST INTERESTS OF SWEDEN TO HAVE CONTACTS  
WITH BOTH SUPERPOWERS."

2. UPI - STOCKHOLM: SECSTATE, ATTEMPTING TO SPARK A  
REBIRTH OF SWEDISH-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP,SAID TALKS TODAY WITH  
PM PALME WERE VERY FRIENDLY AND AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON  
SOME POINTS.

"I DON'T WANT TO GET YOUR PM IN DIFFICULTY BY SAYING TALKS  
WERE AMICABLE, BUT THEY WERE," KISSINGER TOLD REPORTERS.

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HE SPENT TWO HOURS IN OFFICE OF LEFT-WING PM WHO ONCE LED  
ANTIAMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS IN STOCKHOLM.

"THE TALKS HAVE BEEN VERY USEFUL AND CONDUCTED IN A VERY  
FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE," HE SAID. "THERE WERE MANY AREAS OF  
CONVERGENCE."

KISSINGER SAID HE AND PALME DISCUSSED AFRICA, EAST-WEST RELNS, LATIN AMERICA AND "THE GLOBE" DURING THEIR MEETING.

A SWEDISH REPORTER ASKED KISSINGER IF THEY DISCUSSED SO-CALLED SONNENFELDT DOCTRINE.

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"THERE IS NO SONNENFELDT DOCTRINE. THERE IS ONLY A CAPTURE OF A SONNENFELDT DOCTRINE," HE SAID.

SONNENFELDT, A STATE DEPT COUNSELOR, STOOD BEHIND KISSINGER, ALTERNATELY GRIMACING AND ROLLING HIS EYES IN MOCK HORROR AT SWEDISH REPORTER'S SUGGESTION HE FAVORS CHANGING U. S. POLICY IN EASTERN EUROPE.

OUTSIDE THERE WERE NO DEMONSTRATORS SUCH AS 13,000 PROTESTERS WHO MARCHED IN STOCKHOLM STREETS BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL SUNDAY.

RADIO AND TELEVISION

1. WTOP RADIO - BOHANNON AND FREED:

(FREED): SECSTATE IS A NOTABLY NERVOUS MAN WHO BITES HIS FINGER NAILS AND PACES CONSTANTLY. SO WHEN HE FOUND HE HAD A DAY OFF WHILE IN NORWAY BEFORE HE HAD TO BE IN SWEDEN, IT PROVED TOO MUCH. HE HURRIEDLY ADDED AN EXTRA STOP TO HIS EUROPEAN ITINERARY, -- BONN, EVEN THOUGH HE HAD SEEN GERMAN LEADERS JUST TWO DAYS EARLIER AT A NATO CONFERENCE. KISSINGER STAYED IN THE GERMAN CAPITAL FOR 8 HOURS, MEETING WITH FM GENSCHER AND CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT. AFTERWARDS, SECRETARY SAID HE AND GERMAN LEADERS DISCUSSED NATO, EAST-WEST RELNS, AND POSSIBILITY OF A JOINT APPROACH TO CARRY OUT ECONOMIC AND REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FOR BACKWARD NATIONS OF AFRICA.

(FREED): SECSTATE ARRIVED IN STOCKHOLM SUNDAY IN WAKE OF ANTI-AMERICAN PROTESTS BY 12,000 SWEDISH LEFTIST DEMONSTRATORS. BY TIME KISSINGER PLANE TOUCHED DOWN, PROTESTERS HAD BEEN DISPERSED, AND THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF ANY ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENT DURING LONG DRIVE FROM AIRPORT TO CITY. A FEW HOURS EARLIER, DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED PAST AMERICAN EMBASSY, SHOUTING THAT KISSINGER IS A WAR CRIMINAL, AND U.S. AN IMPERIALIST MONSTER. ALL IN ALL, PROTEST, WHICH INVOLVED SOME 50 LEFT-WING GROUPS, WAS ORDERLY, AND POLICE REPORTED NO ARRESTS.

AF FOR KISSINGER, HE WENT TO A PRIVATE DINNER WITH PM PALME

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TO DISCUSS RESTORING RELNS BETWEEN U.S. AND SWEDEN TO FRIENDLY STATE THAT EXISTED BEFORE VIETNAM.

2.

WTOP RADIO - KALB: SECURITY WAS VERY HEAVY. SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY ESTIMATED CROWD AT 10,000 SAID NO ARRESTS HAD BEEN MADE. PLACARDS THAT WERE CARRIED SAID, AMONG OTHER THINGS, "KISSINGER MURDERER," AND "CRUSH U.S. IMPERIALISM," KISSINGER'S VISIT WAS AIMED AT IMPROVING RELNS WITH A SWEDEN READY TO IMPROVE RELNS WITH U.S. THESE RELNS HAD BEEN BADLY STRAINED AT TIME OF 1972 CHRISTMAS BOMBINGS IN VIETNAM, WHICH WERE SHARPLY DENOUNCED BY STOCKHOLM.

KISSINGER HAD THESE COMMENTS ON HIS ARRIVAL: (KISSINGER): "I'M VERY HAPPY TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION OF YOUR FM AND OF THE SWEDISH GOVT TO VISIT STOCKHOLM, AND I AM GLAD TO NOTICE ALSO THAT MY VISIT HAS NOT BEEN TREATED WITH TOTAL INDIFFERENCE BY SWEDISH PUBLIC.

KISSINGER WILL BE HOLDING A SERIES OF TALKS HERE THROUGH TUESDAY MORNING. HE THEN FLIES TO LUXEMBOURG AND LONDON.

3. CBS RADIO, WORLD NEWS ROUNDUP: (KALB): KISSINGER-PALME GET TOGETHER SYMBOLIZED BURYING HATCHET BETWEEN U.S. AND SWEDEN, A RETURN TO NORMALCY IN RELNS FOLLOWING SHARP STRAIN THAT HAD DEVELOPED AT TIME OF 1972 CHRISTMAS BOMBING WHEN PALME DENOUNCED B-52 BLITZ AGAINST HANOI, AND AN ANGRY NIXON REACTED BY RECALLING U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THIS COUNTRY. BUT THINGS HAVE SINCE EASED BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND STOCKHOLM. KISSINGER WAS HIS USUAL BANTERING SELF WHEN HE MET PALME THIS MORNING BEFORE A CROWD OF REPORTERS. WHEN THEY ASKED HIM TO SHAKE HANDS ONCE AGAIN WITH SWEDISH PM, SECRETARY QUIPPED, "IF YOU DON'T WATCH YOURSELF, I'LL EMBRACE HIM. THAT'S WHAT I DO IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

KISSINGER ARRIVED HERE LAST NIGHT AFTER A CROWD OFFICIALLY ESTIMATED AT 10,000 STAGED A PROMENADE OF A DEMONSTRATION TO PROTEST HIS VISIT, AS WELL AS VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS IN CHILE AND GREECE. "KISSINGER GO TO HELL", READ ONE OF PLACARDS. BUT OBSERVERS FOUND CROWD UNANGRY, ALMOST UNCLASSIFIED

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NOSTALGIC, AS THOUGH MARCHERS HAD GONE BACK TO THEIR ATTICS TO FIND THEIR OLD, ANTI-WAR PLACARDS IN WHAT SEEMED LIKE SWEDEN'S LAST GASP AGAINST POLICY U.S. HAD ONCE FOLLOWED IN VIETNAM.  
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